

Your turn to ride on a BIXI bike!



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| 1 Headlight* | 10 Rear mudguard |
| 2 Carrying basket (8 kg capacity) | 11 Rear skirt |
| 3 Elastic cord | 12 Rear lamp* |
| 4 Brake lever* | 13 Chain guard |
| 5 Twist grip shifter* | 14 Sidestand* |
| 6 Bell* | 15 Pedal |
| 7 Quick release seat clamp | 16 Bicycle frame |
| 8 Seat post | 17 Tire |
| 9 Seat | 18 Front mudguard |

*These components are explained in detail on next page's
« Bicycle features » section

Bicycle Features

The lamps

The front and the rear lamps of the bike are lit at all times when the bike is in movement. The lamps go out when the front wheel is immobilised.

The 3-speed system

The bike has a 3-speed easy-to-use gear box that can be shifted while stopped or while moving. To switch gears, simply rotate the twist grip shifters located on the right side of the handlebars, near the brake lever. To activate an "easy" speed, (for slow moving or when you mount a hill) turn the handle at speed 1. For a more "difficult" speed, (for a fast-moving), turn the handle to speed 3.

The brake lever

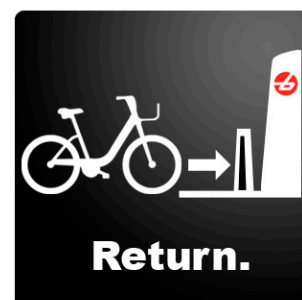
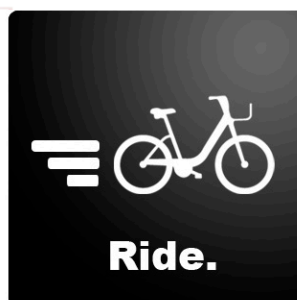
The brakes are integrated into the hubs of the front and rear wheel and allow safe breaking at all times. The front brake is located on the left handlebar of the bicycle while the rear brake is located on the right handlebar of the bicycle. Press both brake levers simultaneously for a gentle safe braking. It is recommended to adjust your braking distance in case of inclement weather.

Sidestand

The strengthened sidestand of the bicycle is used to hold it when you want to stop for a while. To use the sidestand, go to the left side of bike and lower the sidestand with your foot. It is important to put the sidestand back to a horizontal position when you want to start riding the bike again.

The bell

The bell allows you to make your presence known. Make the ring of the bell roll with your thumb (while keeping your hands on the handlebars) to activate the bell.



Bicycle Inspection

1. Verify the condition of the brakes

Press both brake levers firmly to make sure they handle easily.

2. Verify the condition of the bell

Make sure that the bell is attached to the left handlebar and is functional.

3. Verify the condition of the tires

Firmly press each tire of the bicycle to make sure they are properly inflated..

4. Verify the general functioning of the bicycle

Lift the rear of the bicycle from behind the seat and rotate the rear wheel to make sure that nothing obstructs the wheel. Do the same test on the front wheel of the bicycle once you have removed the bike from its docking point.

Press lightly on the mudguard, the chain guard and other parts to make sure they are all securely fastened to the bicycle.

5. Verify the condition of the lamps

Ensure that the front and rear lights illuminate when the bike wheels turn.

* Please note that the light from the lamps may be lower or intermittent if the bicycle wheels do not rotate at sufficient speed.

Make sure all the points mentioned above are respected during the inspection process. Otherwise, please select another bike and repeat the inspection process steps.

If the points mentioned above are not suitable during your inspection of the bicycle, please select another bicycle and repeat the inspection process steps.

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Adjustment of the bicycle

1. Estimate the height of the seat

Place yourself in a sitting position on the bicycle seat to verify the extension of your legs. The pedals of the bicycle must be placed parallel to the seat tube. The seat is well positioned when you leg can be extended with the knee just slightly bent.

2. Adjusting the seat height

Pull the quick release handle at the bottom of the seat rod to raise or lower the seat height. Once the height is selected, push the quick release handle to secure the seat.

* The seat rod cannot be removed from the bicycle frame. If it does not rise more, it is possible that you have reached the maximum height of the seat.

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The position of the leg when the seat height is adjusted adequately.

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The seat rod is equipped with positioning marks. Take note of the number of the adjustment when the seat height is convenient for you. You can easily find the same adjustment for each subsequent trip.

Security Code

1. Wear a helmet

BIXI promotes helmet use for your security.

- ✓ Choose a helmet that has one of these certifications: CSA, CPSC, ASTM, EN or Snell. These acronyms on the inside of the helmet or on the packaging assure you that it complies with national safety standards.
- ✓ Choose a model that fits the shape of your head, so it can be easily adjusted.
- ✓ The helmet is properly adjusted when the front and back straps meet under your ear and the chin strap is snug but not too tight. The helmet should not rock forward or backward or sit too far forward or backward on your head. Adjust the straps periodically.
- ✓ Don't forget: 50 % of cyclists wear poorly fitted helmets, reducing their effectiveness in case of an accident.
- ✓ Don't use a helmet that has been damaged.

2. Be respectful, cautious, and law-abiding!

- ✓ Ride in the direction of traffic (unless you're on a contra flow bike path or lane).
- ✓ Always stop at red lights.
- ✓ Be visible, especially during night time.
- ✓ Don't forget: sidewalks are for pedestrians.
- ✓ Stay at least one metre from parked cars so you have clearance if a door opens suddenly.
- ✓ Forget about music and earphones when you are on a bicycle. Not only are they illegal, but they block out sounds you need to hear for your security.
- ✓ Ride in a straight line, don't zigzag.
- ✓ Ride at a reasonable speed (15 to 20km/h). This will allow you to anticipate danger.
- ✓ Adapt your speed if you are riding in a zone shared with pedestrians.
- ✓ Always pass other cyclists on the left, never on the right.
- ✓ Pay close attention to long and heavy vehicles such as trucks and buses because they have large blind spots. Never pass them on the right. At red lights or stop signs, let them pull ahead first and Respect the [Code de la sécurité routière](#).

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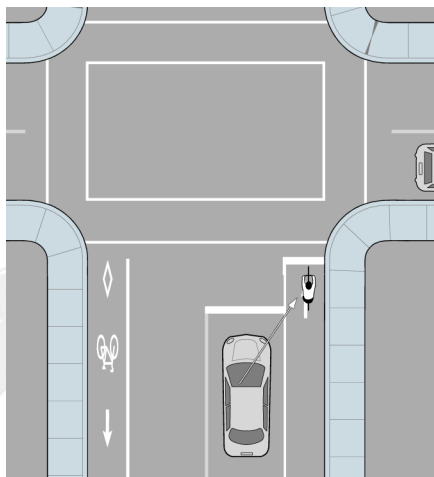
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3. Signal your intentions

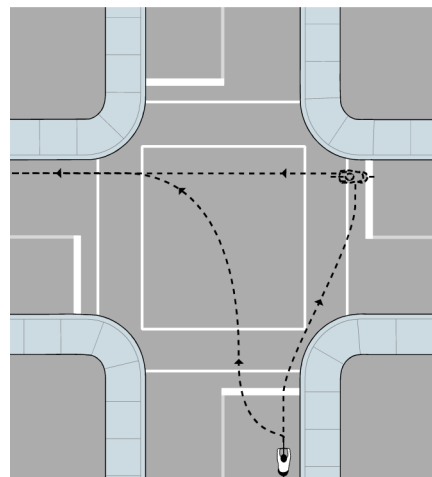
In urban areas, both cyclists and drivers must signal their intentions. Signal your intentions in four circumstances and far enough of time to be seen by drivers and other cyclists.



- ✓ Turning left, in situations where you can turn left directly. (In the case of busy intersections, refer to the image below)
- ✓ Turning right (2 possible options).
- ✓ Slowing down or stopping.
- ✓ Passing a cyclist or double-parked car. First look behind you to be sure the path is clear.



When you stop at an intersection, stay in the driver's field of vision, in front and to the right, while leaving the crosswalk free. When the light turns green, you can safely cross the intersection knowing the driver, who may want to turn, has seen you.



At a busy intersection, make L-shaped, or 90 degree turns. First go straight through the intersection and stop at the opposite corner. Then, position yourself in the direction you wish to travel, cross the second intersection, and continue on your way.

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4. Respect traffic signs

Knowing the signs is synonymous with fun trips and optimum safety.



- 1 Traffic lights for cyclists.
- 2 Indicates the need to dismount.
- 3 Indicates a mandatory path for bicycles and pedestrians.
- 4 Indicates a temporary detour due to construction on the bicycle path.
- 5 These symbols painted on the roadway indicate that a lane is reserved for cyclists.
- 6 Indicates a bicycle path.
- 7 Indicates that you are traveling on *Route Verte*.

Practical Tips

1. No space available to bring your bicycle? Do not panic!

- ✓ Identify yourself at the pay station with your BIXI key (if you are a subscriber) or with your credit card (if you have purchased a 24-hour or a 72-hour access) to get 15 extra minutes ... time to get to another station.
- * This option is only available when the station is full.
- ✓ Check real-time status of nearby stations before you get there. This way, you do not move to another station full or empty if you do not want it.

2. Although lock

A bicycle not locked properly at a docking point may incur additional charges. Make sure the green light goes on before leaving the bicycle at the station.

3. Damaged bicycle

Lock your bike to a docking point and report the situation by pressing the red button to notify a technician. In case of difficulty, contact customer service at 514-789-BIXI (2494) or 1-877-820-2453.

4. Responsibility for accident or theft

In case of accident or theft involving a BIXI bicycle, you must report the facts to the customer service at 514-789-BIXI (2494) or 1-877-820-2453 as soon as possible. The bicycle remains under your responsibility until it is properly locked at a docking point or, if this proves impossible, until you hand it to a BIXI representative. Otherwise, you must secure the bicycle. A penalty of \$ 1 000 may be applicable. For these reasons, BIXI always suggests you move safely and dock your bicycle at any time in one of the BIXI stations.

Warning! Never leave a defective bike because it remains under your responsibility until it is properly locked.

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